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1. As of 8 December 1953 approximately 100 people had moved into Ongjin-gun in southwest Hwanghae Province from Sariwon (N 38-30, E 125-45) (YC-4064), Sin'gye (N 38-30, E 126-32) (BT-8564), Koksan (N 38-47, E 126-40) (BT-9795), and areas of Kangwon Province. About 1,000 more people were to move in the near future. The newcomers were both men and women whose ages ranged from 20 to 50. The majority of them were families<sup>1</sup> of Korean Labor Party members. [redacted] 25X1
- [redacted] they had to move because of the war damage to their farms and other means of livelihood, and they were going to farm or work in industry in Ongjin-gun.
2. As of 8 December 22 families had moved into the Yongso-dong (N 37-57, E 125-02) (XC-7901) area in Ongjin-gun from the mountainous areas of Kangwon Province. Two policemen and one Social Security Department official from a police substation in the myon had arrived at Yongso-dong to investigate these people. Two to three local police have patrolled the dong area and occasionally searched the houses in the village since this movement of people occurred. [redacted] 25X1
- all residents of the mountainous areas of Kangwon Province were being forced to move to other provinces, and anyone refusing to do so was punished by the North Korean army and the police.
3. As of 8 December approximately 50 former inhabitants of Mahap-to (N 37-55, E 124-57) (XB-7297) had moved into Yongso-dong.<sup>2</sup> According to the North Korean authorities, the reason for their moving was to escape the effect of possible renewal of the war.<sup>3</sup>

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1. If the people who had moved into Ongjin-gun were families, the age range would seem improbable.

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2. [REDACTED] the 83 former inhabitants of Mahap-to had been evacuated to Kori-dong (XC-771017) and Hyu-dong (XC-781010).
3. It is not clear whether the reason given by the North Korean authorities for the moving of the people was meant for paragraph two as well as paragraph three.

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